

EAST NEW ORLEANS NEIGHBORHOOD ADVISORY COMMISSION
(ENONAC) www.enonac.org
GENERAL MEETING
St. Maria Gorreti Community Center ~ 7300 Crowder Blvd
Tuesday, February 11, 2014 @ 6:00 p.m.
MINUTES

Executive Board Members:

P – Denotes member present, E – Denotes member excused, A – Denotes member absent, V – vacant position

P	Sylvia Scineaux-Richard, President	A	Romona Baudy, 1 st Vice President
P	Brenda Jackson, 2 nd Vice President	P	Karol Sanders, Treasurer
P	Ed Blouin, Member At Large	P	Joan Heisser, Member At Large
		P	Lydia Leon, Secretary

Attendees: See attached sign-in sheets.

I. Call to order/Roll Call. Meeting was called to order by President, Scineaux-Richard @ 6:05 p.m. After roll call, a quorum was established.

II. Special Guests. There were no special guests.

III. Approval of Agenda. Comm. Daste made a motion to accept the agenda and Comm. Whitfield seconded. After the vote the motion passed with no objections.

IV. Approval of Minutes. Comm. Sabrina Mays-Montana made a motion to accept the Minutes from the January 2014 General Meeting and Comm. Bickham seconded. After the vote the motion passed; no objections.

Comm. McClendon then made a motion to amend the agenda to include the Treasurer’s Report and Comm. Weaver seconded. After the vote the motion passed; no objections.

V. Approval of Treasurer’s Report. The treasurer’s report was read and given to all CAB and Board Members. Comm. Heisser made a motion to approve the treasurer’s report and Comm. Daste seconded. After the vote, the motion passed; no objections.

VI. New Business

A. Introductions

1. Ramona Baudy was elected the new 1st Vice President of ENONAC Board at the CAB meeting of February 4, 2014. She was not able to attend tonight due to her business.

2. The new ENONAC Commissioners were introduced tonight. They are Sabrina Mays-Montana from Idlewood / Parkwood, Dorothy Perrault from Eastover, Kim Wiltz from Maple Ridge and Ann Legaux from Villa Sites. We welcomed them all into our organization.

3. The New Liaison for East New Orleans (ENO) with the Office of Neighborhood Engagement was introduced by Kyle Shelly and she is, Ms. Nora Ann Winbush. Sylvia thanked Kyle for all of his hard work as our ENO liaison and told him how much we appreciated his assistance.

B. Sylvia also thanked Attorney Kara Johnson for all her services that she gives to ENONAC, often at no charge. She swore in all CAB and Executive Board members.

C. Affordable Healthcare (ObamaCare)—ENONAC will have a symposium for information and enrollment of the Affordable healthcare insurance. The date being considered is Saturday, March 29,

2014 from 10:00 – 2:00pm, but it has not yet been confirmed. Confirmation will be at a later time. The deadline to enroll is March 31, 2014.

D. Our Parcel Fee did not pass so we need to work hard and start early to advertise what ENONAC does and make it known to the residents of then N O East. Scineaux-Richard asked Lisa from NOELA to do a newsletter from ENONAC to get our message out to the community. Scineaux-Richard donated the money to cover the cost of the **ENONAC Newsletter**. It will be issued once a month until the end of the year. There will be eight pages in the issues. CAB members need to let her know what they are doing in their communities so it can be included in newsletter. Then first issue is scheduled for March 10, 2014.

VII. Old Business

A. Comm. Perrault suggested that all subdivisions would consider helping financially for these types of functions. Scineaux-Richard stated any financial assistance from the subdivisions/communities to help with operational cost would be greatly appreciated. Comm. Heisser reminded everyone about the preaddressed envelopes with the letter that asked neighborhoods for donations. She asked CAB Members to give them out in their communities and asked their residents to help support ENONAC. Comm. Perrault said that a request for donations should be part of 8 pages in newsletter. Comm. Weaver said that we need to work harder and advertise earlier to help get the Parcel Fee passed this time.

B. ZD 006-14. Zoning for the Dollar Store at 10500 Chef Menteur Hwy. will be discussed at the CAB meeting this month. The developers were invited tonight to speak of their project. Mr. Paul Dorsey, the developer, presented a letter of support from the Pressburg East community which was verified by Lena Stewart. The minister of the Suburban Baptist Church , also spoke in support. Scineaux-Richard asked if there were any questions from the audience.

Comm. Heisser said that her concern was the design review and landscaping of the property. Does the developer have the design standards and landscaping that is on file at this time for N O East? Mr. Dorsey replied yes.

Question: Was there a need verified before the decision was made to build another Dollar General Store. This is going to be the last store that will be built in N O East. Comm .Busby said that there was already a store about 1 ½ miles from this property .Comm. Denesse said that the store at Crowder and Chef Hwy is always full of trash and that the lot next to the store is littered with trash and this is our concern because the managers of the stores do not keep their properties clean. Mike Cunningham suggested that the Corporate Office require the developer have a person who will be a contractor to clean up around the store.

Comm. Montana asked if traffic and a need for the store were indeed verified. Comm. Legaux said that she appreciated the stores coming to the community but she feels that interior of the stores need to have a better way to stock products other than crates in the aisles because it is a tripping hazard for the customers.

Comm. Penny stated that this proposed store would be near her subdivision. She does not support this store in her community because of the trash and drugs already there.

Comm. Perrault said that her concern was that the stores will always say that they need permission from corporate to put clauses in the contract about taking care of the maintenance of the stores but it never happens.

ENONAC asked Kara Johnson to look into this matter and develop a resolution. Johnson stated that an application of conditional use was necessary because of retail over 1 acre. The plans submitted does not comply with the design standards and landscaping that are in place at this time. We want to meet with Councilman Gray and CPC to make sure that they are in compliance. Presently, we do not get to see the plans as they are developed which prevents the community the opportunity to have a say in the design of the store.

Comm. Montana from Idlewood asked if ENONAC could be a part of the meeting with Councilman Gray and CPC along with the developer. Comm. Heisser asked that Councilman Gray make sure a design review and landscaping is reviewed before it is approved by the CPC. We need plans, the building design landscaping and requirements, etc. that a dumpster will not be in site of the street and someone to keep the property clean. The Developer is willing to give ENONAC a signed letter that they will take care of the problems with the property. That would be concern because a signed letter is difficult to enforce.

C. Levy Gardens Development – ENONAC submitted via CAB membership to Mr. Klein a list of the types of stores we would like to see developed on the Levy Gardens property.

VIII. Announcements

A. Friends of Joe Brown Park’s Back to Nature Heart Walk will be Saturday, February 15, 2014 from 9:00 am – 1:00 p.m. Registration is \$25.00 and Tangee Wall has flyers in the back to distribute.

B. Lake Forest Elementary School Contractor’s Introduction Meeting will be on Thursday, February 20, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. at Apostolic Church, 8358 Lake Forest Blvd. All are invited.

IX. Community Information

A. BLG Solar Solution – Representative Ginger Gerald said that there are two ways to apply for solar system: 1) Leasing in which the company receives the tax credit or 2) purchasing in which the homeowner receives the tax credit. There email address is BLGSolarsolution.com.

B. The Juice Cycle, a new business in N O East is located at 5931 Bullard Ave.

C. Representative Austin Badon has requested ENONAC Commissioners give him suggestions for renaming the I-510. Comm. Hamilton suggested Orion. Comm. Bickham suggested Space Exploration Bypass.

X. Adjournment

Having no more business, Comm. Daste made a motion to adjourn meeting and Comm. Dr. Jackson seconded, no objections. After the vote meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Submitted by Lydia Leon

Secretary